

Democracy Voucher Program – FAQs for 2019

Question	Answer
When will I receive my Democracy Vouchers?	Democracy Vouchers will be mailed to Seattle registered voters and those who apply beginning February 12, 2019. Voters who aren't slated to receive a ballot from King County Elections will received a postcard notification to confirm their address with King County Elections or contact the Democracy Voucher Program to request vouchers.
How many vouchers will I receive?	Each eligible Seattle resident will receive four \$25 Democracy Vouchers in 2019.
Which positions are eligible for Democracy Voucher funding?	The seven Seattle city council district positions will be eligible for Democracy Voucher funding.
Can I give my Democracy Vouchers to any City Council candidate?	Your 2019 Democracy Vouchers can be given to any participating City Council candidate, including candidates within or outside your council district.
How much funding is available for candidates in 2019?	The Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission has budgeted \$4.2 million in Democracy Voucher funding for candidates in 2019. Primary candidates have a maximum spending limit of \$75,000. Those who progress to the General Election have a cumulative spending limit of \$150,000.
How do candidates qualify for Democracy Vouchers?	Candidates running for a city council district position must collect at least 150 qualifying contributions and signatures from Seattle residents. Seventy-five contributions and signatures must come from within the candidate's district.
Which district do I live in?	Find your <u>district and current councilmember.</u> www.seattle.gov/council/meet-the-council/find-your-district-and- councilmembers
Where can I drop-off my vouchers?	 For 2019, you may return your vouchers: Directly to a campaign By mail using the pre-paid envelope included City of Seattle <u>Customer Service Centers</u> King County Election ballot box (when in use)

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